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In re Patent Application of

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For: OXIDANT/CATALYST
NANOPARTICLES TO REDUCE
CARBON MONOXIDE IN THE
MAINSTREAM SMOKE OF A
CIGARETTE

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Sir:

In reply to the final Office Action dated April 13, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-captioned application.